

WØMTL — Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News — WØKEM**2015 HARC OFFICERS**

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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: NOTE EARLIER START TIME

Wednesday – October 14, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Beth Haven Pleasant View
641 Euclid Avenue
Hannibal, Mo 63401

Enter at the main entrance, turn left to the elevator. Take the elevator to the second floor, and the club's meeting room is directly across the hallway. See map directions on HARC website.

**MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – OCTOBER 2015**

05th WØPGL, TONY – 12TH KDØYTH, STEVEN –
19th WB2UFO, LARRY -- 26th KDØHHN, DON

FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2015

OCTOBER 14th

Exams will take place at 8:30 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting. The exam session will be at the Beth Haven Pleasant View, 641 Euclid Avenue Hannibal, Mo 63401. Registration is required at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Fred Miller- KB0WIL at kb0wil@arrl.net or 573-221-2429.

The 2015 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.



HARC MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER, 2015 MEETING



Respectfully submitted by Dave Milam KB0RZN

Hannibal Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes September 9th, 2015

The September meeting was held at the Marion County Ambulance District Training Facility on Communications Drive. Don (KD0HHN) opened the meeting at 7:30pm with 20 people present including 4 guest. Don (KD0HHN) introduced Shane Jaeger (KD0UUW) with the Marion County

Ambulance District, and Assistant Chief. Shane gave us an in depth description of the facility. Following previous discussions about holding Field Day at this facility, Steve (KD0UVU) made a motion to try this year's Field Day at this location. The motion was seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried. Don also stated that the Marion County Ambulance District would like to set up the facility as a secondary EOC. Shane stated that they would like to install the building infrastructure to accommodate both Field Day and EOC operations.

Don inquired if everyone read the minutes from the August meeting, and asked for any changes, additions, or corrections. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ed (K9WAY) made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Steve (KD0YTH). The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry (WB2UFO) reported last month's ending balance was \$1,345.43, and this month's ending balance was \$1,448.04. The CD balance was \$1,320.65 making the total assets \$2808.69. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Cliff (K0CA) and seconded by Luan (KA9WAY). The motion carried.

Repeaters:

Don (KD0HHN) reported that both repeaters seem to be operating with no problems. Don also reminded everyone that Larry (WB2UFO) had reported last month that 2 new repeaters were on line in the area. Pittsfield has a new 2 meter repeater on 145.430, and operates on tone 103.5. Quincy has a new 70cm repeater on 443.9 also using a tone of 103.5

Unfinished Business:

The ARRL Simulated Emergency Test will be held Saturday October 3rd. Don (KD0HHN) will meet with Steve (KD0UVU) and the Marion County Health Department to determine what kind of test they would like to run. Don anticipated that the exercise would last about 2 hours and we will need volunteer operators. Don will get more information about involvement by the State (SEMA), and the Missouri Traffic Net, and will pass that information along.

Don gave the Club an update on the Amateur Radio Parity Act. Having made its way to the Senate, it's known as S1685. It has been referred to the Senate Committee on Science, Commerce, and Transportation. The Bill in the House of Representatives known as HB1301 has made its way to the sub-committee on Communications and Technology. Everyone in the Club is encouraged to send letters to our Senators and Representatives.

New Business:

Don reported that he will check with Fred (KB0WIL) to see if we will offer testing at next month's meeting.

Ed (K9WAY) brought an antenna tuner that was donated to the Club by Paul Manning (KD9MW) from Collinsville. The AT-1000 Pro Auto Tuner will make an excellent and needed addition to our Field Day equipment. We will add it to the Insurance list to be covered, and the Club will send Paul a thank-you note.

Don (KD0HHN), Larry (WB2UFO) and Cliff (K0CA) had a discussion prior to the meeting concerning another training class. They have received inquiries from three or four individuals interested in at least a Technician License. Any Club member that knows of anyone interested in taking the class should contact Don. There are also several newly licensed Amateur Operators in the area, some who participated in the previous class. We need to reach out and invite them to join the Club. Cliff (K0CA) will check with the ARRL to see if they still offer a service that can inform us of newly licensed individuals in our area.

Luan (KA9WAY) inquired about the possibility of starting the Club meetings at 7:00pm instead of 7:30pm. Ann (KB9BAL) made a motion to do so. It was seconded by Ed (K9WAY) and the motion carried after discussion about possibly moving the regular monthly meetings from Pleasant View to the Ambulance District Training Facility. A motion was made by Larry (WB2UFO), and seconded by Ed (K9WAY) to move our meetings pending approval by the Fire Chief and the Ambulance District.

Larry (WB2UFO) reported the Lighthouse Event went very well with 18 people helping out or stopping by. There were 51 contacts made including many states and 1 from Canada. Larry reported the only issues were when one of the many trains passed by, and once by the Riverboat Calliope! Discussion followed about the different Lighthouse events. Hopefully we can do it again next year.

Drawing:

Prior to last month's meeting, Larry (WB2UFO) attended the Quincy Hamfest and purchased an item for the Club to raffle. It was a power distribution panel with power pole connectors manufactured by MFJ. We sold 20 tickets at \$5.00 each. The item was raffled and was won by Ann (KB9BAL). We received a great deal on the item, and we extend our thanks to Amateur Accessory Inc. in Champaign, IL. Carol (WA9EFV) made a donation of a \$50.00 ARRL gift certificate for a drawing next month. Thanks Carol!

50/50:

The 50/50 was won by Tony (W0PGL) and donated back to the Club. Thanks Tony!

A motion to adjourn was made by Luan (KA9WAY), and it was seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.



**FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK
BY DON VARY KDØHHN**



First off, I would like to thank Chief John Nemes, and Assistant Chief Shane Jaeger for allowing us to meet at the Ambulance District's training facility and for offering it to us for Field Day next year and possibly as a permanent home. The facility is a very nice one, and as Shane mentioned, they are still improving on things and adding things to the building. The location is ideal, on top of a hill with a cell tower nearby and plenty of room to set up antennas. Shane was telling me that their plan is to put up 2 60ft poles, one at each end of the building, which could support an HF vertical antenna, a 2meter/440 antenna and a dipole. They are also making plans to have the facility set up as a possible backup to the city EOC and are planning to talk with John Hark about it.

The training room is very spacious with room for quite a few people, There is a small kitchenette, bathroom, and the facility has keycard entry, which means if you don't have a key card you don't get access to the building or parts that you don't need access to. All in all I think it will be a great facility for Field Day. I know that Tony took some pictures so everyone can see the facility. It also has audiovisual set up that allows you to turn the screen/wall to a touch screen. I know myself, Larry and Cliff were very impressed with the facility when we did the Technician class there, and they have only improved on it since then.

This brings me to a couple of things that were discussed at the meeting that everyone needs to know about. A motion was made and carried to change the start time for the meeting from 7:30 to 7:00PM. It was discussed that nights we are testing, it would be easier for the testing team and that they would not be staying so late. Also it would be easier for everyone, especially with daylight savings time ending soon and winter coming on. The other thing is that it was discussed about changing the meeting location from Pleasant View to the Ambulance District. The district has the advantage of being handicap accessible, is on a single level, so there are no stairs or elevators. As I mentioned it is A/V capable so we would not need a projector or screen if anyone wanted to do a presentation at the meetings. There is plenty of parking at the facility as well. Shane said that he will talk to Chief Nemes about having the meetings there and that if we move the meetings there, we could decide who, if anyone, we would want to have key cards issued to, and if possible we could set up the club's equipment there as a permanent station, similar to what Quincy has at the Red Cross and they would make sure that we were the only ones to have access to it. So, at the October meeting I should have a report from Shane as to whether we can move the meetings to the training center, and I urge as many as possible members to attend the meeting to discuss this matter.

Also, I will be looking at the calendar again because I have received a couple of requests for another licensing class. I will be putting together a tentative schedule, and if you know of anyone who might be interested in getting their license, let me know. Well, enough for this month, hope everyone is enjoying the decent weather and getting ready for fall, it's just around the corner. Stay safe and I'll see you down the log.

Donald Vary KD0HHN, Emergency Coordinator - Marion County

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Here's a link to an excellent step-by-step guide to use in obtaining an official copy of your FCC Ham Radio License. Thanks to Rick Crockett W0PC of the St. Charles ARC for this helpful guide:

<http://www.wb0hsi.org/Print%20Your%20Ham%20License%20de%20W0PC.pdf>

73, Cliff K0CA

**DX News and Notes,
BY LARRY LAUER, WB2UFO
OCTOBER 2015**



DX News for October 2015

Just a quick note to remember that the CQWW DX SSB Contest is going to be October 24-25th. I'll be there working this contest. There will be a great deal of DX work this month. Look for many of those contesters to be on before and after the contest, if you could not make the QSO during the pile up you might catch them after.

73
Larry
WB2UFO

3C, EQUATORIAL GUINEA (Update). Ken, LA7GIA, will be active as 3C7GIA (pending) from Malabo Island (AF-010) between November 12-23rd Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. There is a slight chance for 80m depending on conditions. Equipment will be a TS-480SAT with an Ameritron ALS 500m into a Mosley Mini 32 ASP (2 element beam 20/15/10m), Mosley TW 22 M (2 element beam 17/12m), Hygain AV640 and G5RV 80-10m wire antennas (backup). QSL via LA7GIA direct ONLY (SAE + 3 USDs).

<http://la7gia.com/3c7gia/index.html>

HR, HONDURAS. John, G4IRN, will be active from Javier/HR2J QTH in Honduras between November 21-30th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest(November 28-29th). Look for activity before the contest on 80-10 meters (possibly 160 and 6 meters). QSL via HR2J (see QRZ.com).

C3, ANDORRA. Members of the "Andorran Amateur Radio Union (URA)" will once again be active as C37NL during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via C37URA or by the Bureau.

9K, KUWAIT. Operators Hamad/9K2HN, Essa/9K2HQ, Yasser/9K2MY, Muhammad/9K2NO, Osama/9K2OD, Ahmad/9K2QA, and Basil/9K2RX will be active as 9K2HN during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi/Single or Multi-2 entry. QSL via 9K2HN, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW. Visit the home page at: <http://www.9k2hn.com>

9X, RWANDA. Bjorn, LA9IAA, is now active as 9X0AA from Kigali. The length of his stay is unknown as well as his operating practices (bands/modes. Activity so far has been mainly on 20 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign.

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Operators Rob/N7QT, YL Melanie "Mel"/N7BX, and Grant/KZ1W will be active as E51MKW and E51MQT from Manihiki Atoll (OC-014) between September 29th and October 27th. Activity has been updated to 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with a K3/KPA500 and a CrankIR vertical on the beach. K3/KPA500 and CrankIR verticals on the beach. We might be calling for EU/AF as well as NA/SA during their respective sunrise and sunsets, and will work the rest of the world during the remaining time. QSL Manager for this expedition is N7BX." QSL available using LoTW, direct with SASE (IRC or 2 USDs for international), or by the Bureau.
SSB

FS, ST. MARTIN. The "Buddies in the Caribbean" crew will be active as FS/homecall from Villa "Ait na Greine" villaaitnagreine.com/villa.htm FS, ST. MARTIN. John, W9ILY, will be active as FS/W9ILY from St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383) between October 21-29th, outside of the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). QSL via home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. ADDED NOTE: John will join operators John/K9EL Paul/K9NU and Guy/VE2BWL as TO1E during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Multi-Op entry.

HI7, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Roberto, YV5IAL will be active as HI7/YV5IAL between October 25-31st. This will be a QRP/Portable, holiday style operation. Activity will be on PSK31 Digital mode on 14070.15 kHz, and also on 40/30/15/10 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

9J, ZAMBIA (Special Event). Peter, 9J2HN, will be active with the special callsign 9J2JOCV from Lusaka, Zambia, between September 1st and December 31st. Activity will be on the HF bands. The special callsign "9J2JOCV" is for celebrating the 50th anniversary of the "Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteer" (JOCV). If you need a paper QSL, please send your QSL with SASE (SAE + 1IRC or \$2) to JL1IHE direct only (no bureau access): Mr. Yoshitaka KAWAKU, 2-10 Yamate-cho,

Hanno-city, Saitama 3570031 JAPAN. QSL through eQSL or LoTW will be issued after the whole operation period is ended.

LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0. Fred, DL5YM and Tina, DL5YL are QRV as HB0/home calls from Masescha until October 9 while on holiday. Activity is on the HF bands using CW and RTTY. They will be active as HB0/DL5YM in the CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL to home calls.

5J0, ANDRES ISLAND. Joseph, LU1FM, will once again be active as 5J0B from San Andres Island (NA-033) between October 17-27th. Daniel, LU9FHF, will also be with him. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. Also look for him to participate the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th). Equipment will be an IC-7100 with an ALS MRX 500 amp into a Hex- beam (20-6m) and dipoles for 160/80/40m. QSL via his home callsign. Look for more details and updates at:

<http://www.tarjetasqsl.com.ar/5j0b>

FaceBook page is: <https://www.facebook.com/sanandresisland2015>

HA45, HUNGARY (Special Event). Look for HA45KHW to be active on the HF bands using CW, SSB, and the Digital modes until the end of this year. The members of the Regionalis Radios Sportklub Puspokladany (HA0KHW) are celebrating their 45th anniversary of the club's foundation. QSL via ClubLog's OQRS, by the Bureau or direct.

3B7, ST. BRANDON. Pat, 3B8FA, informs OPDX that he will be active as 3B7FA from St. Brandon (AF-015) sometime between October 26-30th. Activity will be limited to his spare time with operations on 20/15/10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes (SSTV and PSK93). Equipment: Yaesu FT857/897 with 100 watts into a vertical antenna. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

MAURITIUS, 3B8. Elvio, IW1GIO is QRV as 3B8/IW1GIO. There are currently no details available on his activity here, and his length of stay is unknown. QSL to home call.

3B8, MAURITIUS (Correction). Willi, DJ7RJ, will be active as 3B8/DJ7RJ (not 3B8/DL7RJ) between October 5-30th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with a focus on 160m using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign direct.

FM/TO2, MARTINIQUE (Update). Kostyantyn "Ken", VE3LA, will be active as FM/VE8DX from Martinique (NA-107) between October 17-27th. He will also be active as TO2M during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on CW and SSB on all bands. Ken tells OPDX, "Prior and after contest activity will be limited as this will be also my family vacation. But I'll try to accommodate SKEDs if somebody needs a new country. I'm trying to pay back to the society as a DXCC HR#1 holder. There were a lot of SKEDs to get it. I'm celebrating 10th anniversary of my DXCC HR#1 and 30 years on the radio. This year's first satisfactory result was All-Time World Record in SOU HP category in ARRL DX Contest. I'm looking forward to meeting all my

friends on the radio during WWDX as well." QSL both callsigns via LY5W. PLEASE NOTE: The TO2M callsign was used before by Sam, F6AML, from Mayotte, so be careful when you QSL.

FRENCH POLYNESIA, FO. Moto, JA1GAV is QRV as TX7A from Moorea Island, IOTA OC-046, until the end of October. QSL to home call.

**Wishing you all good DX and 73
Larry, WB2UFO**

Dear Troops. Thanks to you, our flag is proudly flying over this country!



BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS

**Do not be terrified;
do not be discouraged
for the Lord your God
will be with you
wherever you go.
(Joshua 1:9)**

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